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In re Application of: Kornman & Duff)
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For: Screening Assays for Identifying Modulators of the Inflammatory or Immune Responses)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examining the application on the merits, please enter the following amendments to the specification and claims.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 34 beginning with "IL-1RN (+2018)" with the following replacement paragraph:

IL-1RN (+2018). PCR primers are designed (mismatched to the genomic sequence) to engineer two enzyme cutting sites on the two alleles to allow for RFLP analysis. The gene accession number is X64532. Oligonucleotide primers are:

5' CTATCTGAGGAACAACCAACTAGTAGC 3'

(SEQ ID No. 1)